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In compliance with Applicant and his attorney's duty of disclosure under 37 CFR § 1.56, Applicant submits herewith documents of which he is aware and which he believes may be material to the examination of this application, and in respect of which there may be a duty to disclose.

While the Information Disclosure Statement may cite materials which are "material" to examination of the Application pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.56, it is not intended to constitute an admission that any patent, publication, or other information referred to therein is "prior art" for this invention unless specifically designated as such. In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.97(g) and (h), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made or that no other material information as defined in 37 CFR §1.56(b) exists.

Copies of each of the above noted documents are enclosed.

The documents listed on the attached Form PTO-A820 are either patents previously issued to the inventor or are patents which have become known to the inventor prior to the filing of this application. While each reference relates to the broad general area of interest within

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